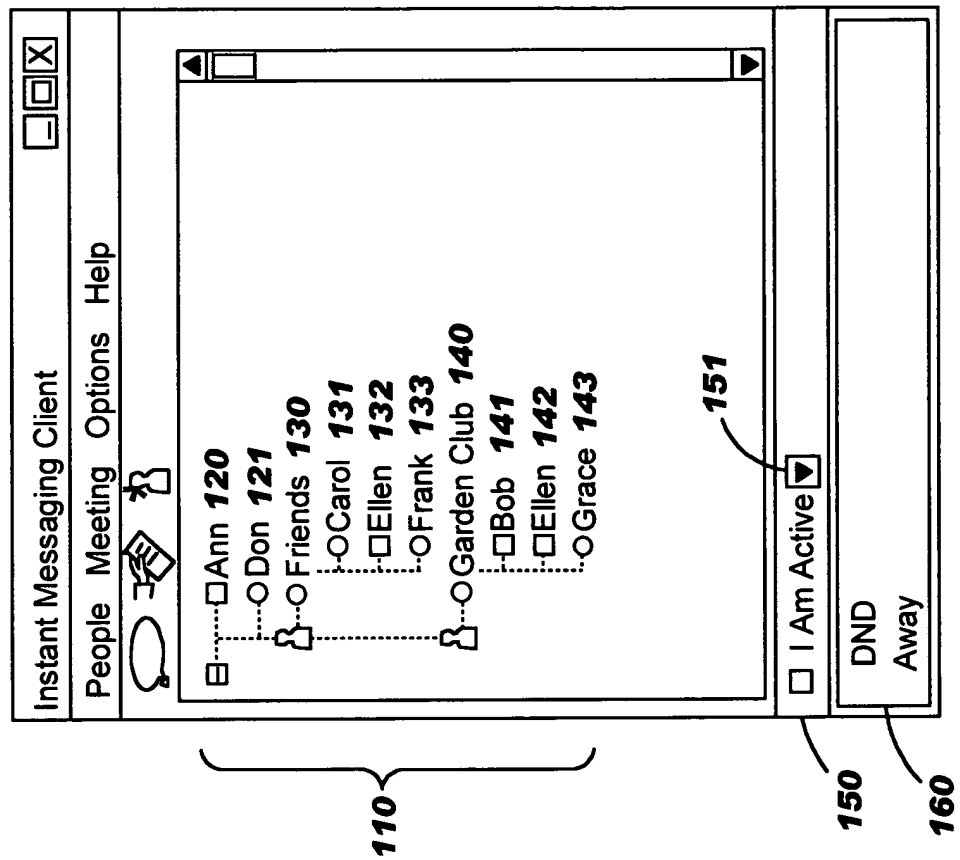


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FIG. 2

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Inbound= ☐ year ☐ month ☐ day ☐ hour **211**

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☐ Visual indicators:

Expired icon: Grey [select icon color] **221**

Foreground text: Grey [select foreground color] **222**

Background text: White [select background color] **223**

☒ Move items to Expired group: "Expired" [select folder] **231**

☐ Delete Expired items **232**

☒ Enable inbound expiration for users **233**

☐ Enable inbound expiration for groups **234**

☐ Revive user upon receiving an instant message **235**

☐ Revive group upon receiving an instant message **236**

☐ Set last inbound date to current time **240**

Outbound= ☐ year ☐ month ☐ day ☐ hour **251**

☒ February 3, 2006

☐ Visual indicators:

Expired icon: Grey [select icon color]

Foreground text: Grey [select foreground color]

Background text: White [select background color]

☐ Move items to Expired group: "Expired" [select folder]

☐ Delete Expired items

☒ Enable outbound expiration for users

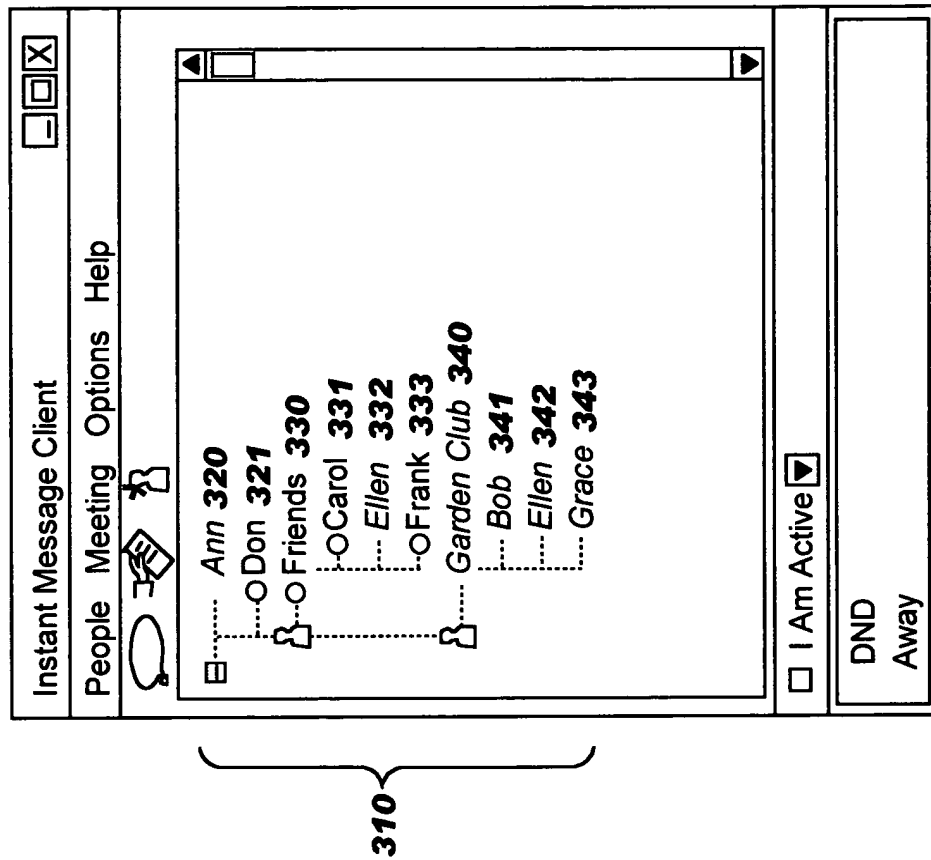
☐ Enable outbound expiration for groups

☐ Set last outbound date to current time **260**

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FIG. 4

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| 410 | 420 | 430 | 440 | 450 | 460 |
|-------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|------------------------|------------|
| ID | last-sent-msg | outbound auto-expire | last-recd-msg | inbound auto-expire | status |
| Ann | 01/01/03 | 6 months | 01/01/03 | 6 months | expired |
| Bob | 01/01/03 | 6 months | 02/02/03 | 6 months | expired |
| Carol | 08/01/03 | 3 weeks | 08/02/03 | 3 weeks | active |
| Don | 08/01/03 | 2 months | 08/06/03 | 2 months | active |
| Ellen | 06/01/03 | 2 months | 06/01/03 | 2 months | expired |
| Frank | 05/04/03 | 1 year | 04/05/03 | 1 year | active |
| Grace | 03/03/03 | 5 days | 03/03/03 | 5 days | expired |
| Friends | 08/01/03 | 1 month | 08/02/03 | 1 month | active |
| Garden Club | 06/01/03 | 2 months | 06/01/03 | 2 months | expired |

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FIG. 5

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| Instant Message Auto-Expiration | |
|---|--|
| Select user or group | <input type="text"/> <input type="button" value="▼"/> 510 |
| Last inbound message received | <input type="text"/> 520 |
| Inbound auto-expiration period | <input type="text"/> 521 |
| User/group expires on | <input type="text"/> 522 |
| | 524 <input type="button" value="Revive"/> <input type="button" value="Reset"/> 525 |
| Last outbound message sent | <input type="text"/> 530 |
| Outbound auto-expiration period | <input type="text"/> 531 |
| User/group expires on | <input type="text"/> 532 |
| | 534 <input type="button" value="Revive"/> <input type="button" value="Reset"/> 535 |
| <input type="button" value="OK"/> <input type="button" value="Cancel"/> | |

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FIG. 6

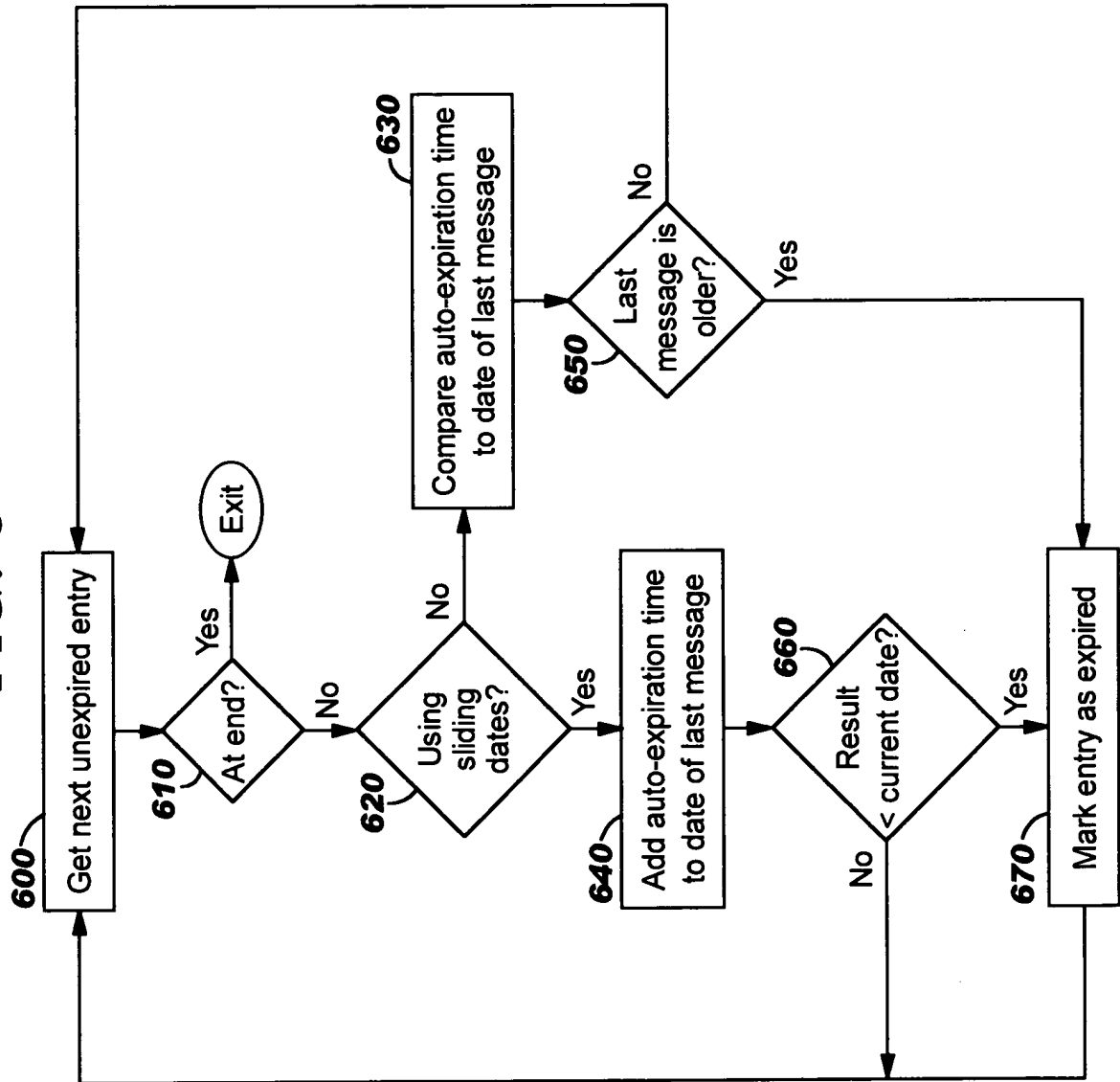


FIG. 7

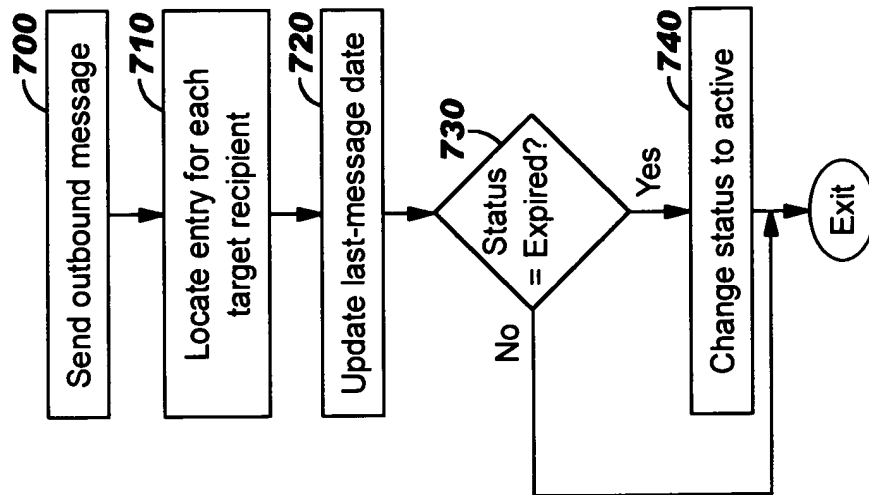


FIG. 8

